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SUBJECT: MEETINGS OF OECD OIL COMMITTEE AND ITS HIGH-LEVEL

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1. SUMMARY. CHAIRMAN WANSINK OF OECD OIL COMMITTEE AND ITS HIGH LEVEL GROUP HAS DECIDED TO CONVENE SPECIAL MEETINGS OF BOTH BODIES ON OCTOBER 24. ACTION REQUESTED: SEE PARA 4 BELOW. END SUMMARY.

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2. IN LIGHT OF DECISIONS TAKEN BY OAPEC STATES AT OCTOBER 17 KUWAIT MEETING, WANSINK HAS DECIDED TO CONVENE SPECIAL MEETING OF OECD OIL COMMITTEE AND ITS HIGH LEVEL GROUP ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24. HLG WOULD MEET IN MORNING AND OIL COMMITTEE SAME AFTERNOON. AGENDA FOR HLG, AS NOW ENVISAGED BY SECRETARIAT, WOULD INCLUDE 1. REVIEW OF CURRENT SITUATION, 2. ORAL REPORT ON PROGRESS TOWARD AN OECD-WIDE APPORTIONMENT SCHEME AND 3. CONSIDERATION OF WHETHER OR NOT TO ACTIVATE INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRY ADVISORY BODY TO REPORT ON SUPPLY SITUATION IN MEMBER COUNTRIES ALONG LINES SET OUT IN OECD DOC C(67)67, AND WHETHER OR NOT TO AMEND OR ENLARGE MEMBERSHIP OF IIAB. AGENDA FOR OIL COMMITTEE WOULD INCLUDE ONLY ITEMS 1 AND 3 ABOVE.

3. FOR PROCEDURES TO ACTIVATE IIAB SEE OECD DOC DIE/E/PE/73.17. FOR LIST OF COMPANIES CURRENTLY COMPRISING IIAB SEE OECD DOC PE/M(73)1 ANNEX I.

4. WANSINK INITIATIVE APPARENTLY REPRESENTS CONSENSUS OF EEC MEMBERS. JAPAN HAS EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO ATTEND MEETINGS IF OTHERS IN FAVOR. MEETING OF OIL COMMITTEE FOLLOWING HLG APPEARS DESIRABLE TO ACCOMMODATE STRONG CONCERNS OF NON-HLG MEMBERS, SUCH AS SPAIN AND AUSTRIA. WE ASSUME THEREFORE THAT WASHINGTON WILL BE WILLING TO PROVIDE REPRESENTATION FOR MEETINGS AT APPROPRIATE LEVELS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM, OR RATIONALE IF THERE ARE STRONG OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED MEETINGS. BROWN

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